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CONTAINING FUNCTIONAL E1, E2 ENVELOPE  
PROTEINS  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 2,  
2008. Please consider the amendments and responsive remarks provided herewith.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.